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On behalf of the Board of Trustees of Roxbury Community College, I wish to extend to you our gratitude for your continued support of this fine educational institution. We deeply appreciate both your generous financial contributions as well as the strong community advocacy of RCC that you so willingly share with your Representatives, Senators, and Colleagues.

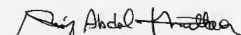
As many of you know, I was a member of the second class to graduate from this fine school, and I have been actively involved in RCC ever since. I have watched the College, and our graduates, grow and flourish. RCC had humble beginnings in 1973 when we opened the school in its first location at Grove Hall in an automobile dealership. It is truly remarkable to see the magnificent progress we have made in twenty-six short years.

It was with the spirit and determination of the local community, a community which includes many people who are here tonight to celebrate with us, that RCC has evolved into a solid educational presence, making a difference in the lives of our students, the community, and the many organizations fortunate enough to hire our graduates.

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to Roxbury Community College; I know you will enjoy our gala. As you speak with some of our students and graduates tonight I am certain you will learn of their varied but equally impressive, career successes.

Roxbury Community College is indeed a place where futures begin.

Sincerely,



Sharif Abdal-Khallaq  
Chairman of the Board of Trustees  
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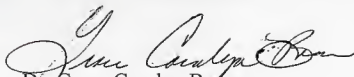
Dear Friends,

Welcome to Roxbury Community College's second annual fund raising gala. We are delighted to again offer the opportunity to share with our community the exciting and wonderful progress RCC has made over the past year. The Board of Trustees, administration, faculty, staff and students have worked to move the College to its next level of development. The coming year will provide challenges, which we must undertake, and opportunities for growth and development that we will provide. We must continue to promote programs that reduce the cost to students for their education and yet provide an increase in the resources required for excellence in teaching and learning.

The agreement between Roxbury Community College and Northeastern University has had unparalleled success. The Summer Enrichment Program exceeded our expectations for fourteen students who were jointly shepherded by the faculty of both institutions. New program development and our participation with key community leaders and businesses ensures the future and buttresses the long term goal of raising the socioeconomic status of all of greater Roxbury.

As we stand United for the Millenium, we offer our thanks to our corporate sponsors, our media partners and all of our friends and supporters for helping to make every student of RCC as successful as possible. Most of all, we thank the students we serve, for making us proud.

On behalf of the Roxbury Community College family, we wish you peace, love and joy and a millennium that is stunning, dazzling and magnificent.

  
Dr. Grace Carolyn Brown  
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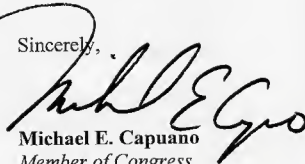
Dear Friends and Colleagues of Roxbury Community College,

It is an honor and a privilege to congratulate Roxbury Community College (RCC) on 26 years of excellence in service to the community. For over a quarter of a century RCC has delivered educational opportunities to countless numbers of people in the Boston area who, in turn have been able to provide a better quality of life for themselves and their families.

Although these are tough times for RCC right now they will not last and the storms will eventually pass. The words of Martin Luther King are so appropriate at times like these as I paraphrase, "The true measure of *any organization* is not what they do in times of comfort and convenience, but it is what they do in times of conflict and controversy." RCC should be commended because you have done great things with limited resources amidst insurmountable odds.

Again, I congratulate RCC for its excellence in service and its commitment to the people of this community.

Sincerely,

  
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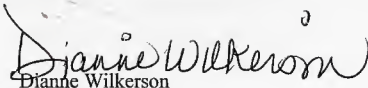
Dear Dr. Brown & Friends of Roxbury Community College:

I applaud you and the staff of Roxbury Community College (RCC) for the valiant efforts to provide a quality education to the students of RCC. I would also like to offer my sincere appreciation for your dedication and leadership to improving the quality of life for the residents of the Greater Roxbury Community.

My goal is to ensure that RCC obtains the necessary resources to prepare its students for the technological demands in the next millenium. Looking ahead as we begin to analyze the initial results of education reform including high school senior testing requirements, RCC's challenge will be even greater. I am committed to help RCC meet this challenge.

We will continue to rely on RCC to produce individuals with character, commitment and leadership. Again, congratulations to the entire RCC family and we wish you the best as you celebrate 26 years of service.

Sincerely,

  
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December 11, 1999

Dear Friends of Roxbury Community College:

It is with great pride that I congratulate Roxbury Community College on its 26<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The fact that so many people have gathered to celebrate this event is a tribute to Roxbury Community College's excellence and commitment to the community.

Countless Bostonians are grateful to Roxbury Community College for providing educational opportunities that have shaped their lives and enabled them to become better providers for their families. Through the years, the employees and faculty have been an inspiration to thousands of students, as well as a good friend and neighbor in the community.

I congratulate Roxbury Community College for its commitment to the people of Boston. I wish you continued success for many years to come.

Sincerely,

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November 30, 1999

Dear Friends of Roxbury Community College:

It is with great pride that I congratulate Roxbury Community College on its 26th Year Anniversary. It is a measure of your excellence and contributions to the community that so many people have gathered to recognize you tonight.

Many citizens of Greater Boston clearly owe R.C.C. a debt of gratitude for providing educational opportunities that have helped shape their lives and enabled them to become better providers to their families. Throughout the years, the employees and faculty have served as an inspiration to thousands of students, and have been good friends and neighbors. R.C.C. is an outstanding educational institution in Boston.

I am proud to be an honorary member of the R.C.C. National Honor Society (Phi Theta Kappa) and I will continue to fight for the resources needed to carry out **our** R.C.C. mission of excellence.

I again congratulate the entire R.C.C. family for its commitment to the community. I wish you continued success in the next century and into the new millennium.

**"Opportunity follows a struggle. It follows effort. It follows hard work. It doesn't come before". --Shelby Steele--**

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gloria L. Fox".

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Dr. Grace C. Brown  
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Dear Dr. Brown and Supporters of Roxbury Community College,

Congratulations on the celebration of the 26<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of dedication and service to the residents of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The communities of Roxbury, Mattapan, Dorchester, Jamaica Plain, and the South End have enjoyed the support, friendship and leadership that RCC has provided to us all.

The host community of Roxbury has benefited from your "good neighbor policy" by utilizing programs, the physical plant and special events. The relationship is based on respect and trust. It is a model for institutional and residential partnerships.

As we watch 1999 end and we look to the future we must continue to support the mission of RCC. We must provide the funding and tools to allow our citizens the best opportunity to succeed in a global economy while improving "quality of life" in our own communities. RCC is our vehicle for that journey.

I join with many others in wishing you well and pledging my continued support.

Regards,

*Kevin W. Fitzgerald*  
Kevin Fitzgerald  
State Representative





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December 11, 1999

Dr. Grace C. Brown, President  
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Dear Dr. Brown, Faculty and Friends of Roxbury Community College:

Please accept my most sincere greetings and congratulations on the occasion of Roxbury Community College's Second Annual Fundraiser.

I appreciate this opportunity to commend all of you on your remarkable achievements and exemplary commitment to serving the educational needs of our community. It is through this exceptional commitment that thousands of students have become empowered with the educational tools that they require in order to live better lives and thus contribute to the social and economic growth of the Commonwealth.

As we approach the dawn of a new millennium, please be assured that you have my continued encouragement, support and best wishes.

Sincerely,

*Shirley Owens-Hicks*

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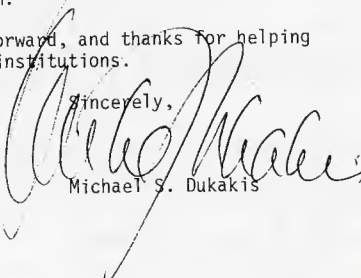
Unfortunately, another commitment makes it impossible for Kitty and me to join you at the Gala on December 11.

We will be there in spirit, however, and we want to congratulate everybody who has made it possible for Roxbury Community College to celebrate twenty-six years of service to the Commonwealth and the community.

I well remember the struggles we had in winning the support of the legislature and the broader community as we planned a community college for Roxbury. It wasn't easy, but I am very proud of what we were able to do together, and I look forward to even greater things from the College as we enter a new millenium.

Good luck as you go forward, and thanks for helping one of our best community institutions.

Sincerely,

  
Michael S. Dukakis

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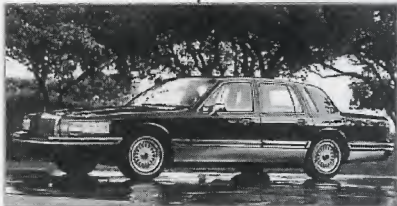
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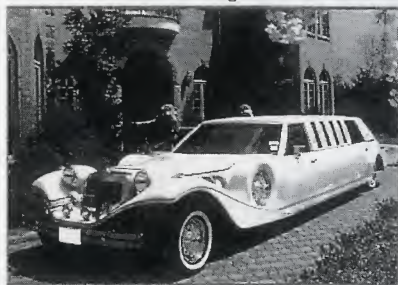
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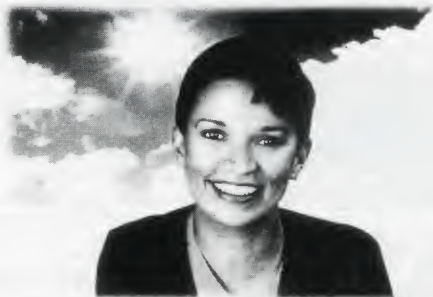
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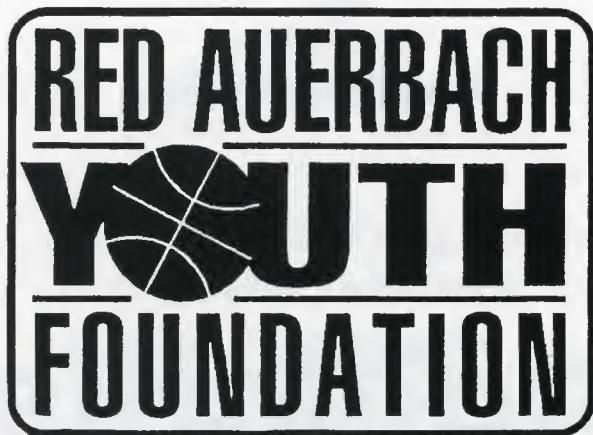
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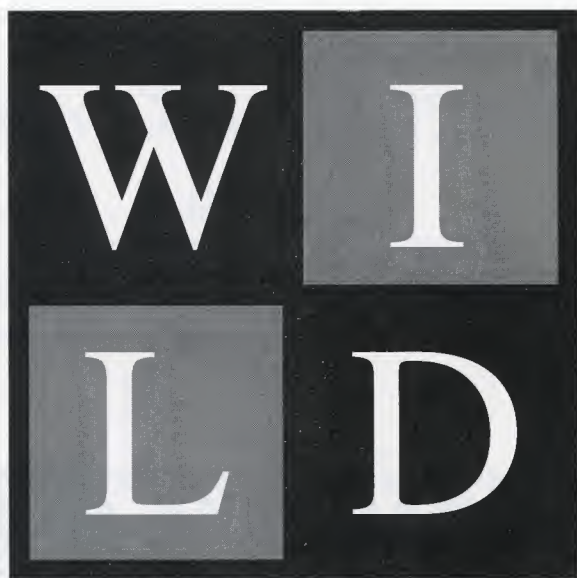
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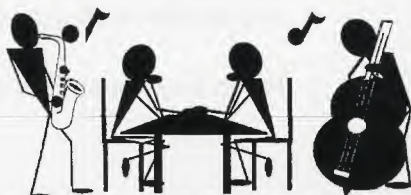
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